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Using FTIR

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action of July 3, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 8 of this paper.